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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PN

SUBJECT: TORRIJOS IN CUBA: ANGOLA AND PUERTO RICO

1. CUBA HAS BEEN STRONGLY PRESSING PANAMA FOR MENTION BY TORRIJOS OF ANGOLA AND OF PUERTO RICO QUESTION DURING TORRIJOS' JANUARY 10-15 TRIP TO HAVANA.

2. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED, HOWEVER, FROM TWO HIGH-LEVEL GOP MEMBERS OF DELEGATION ACCOMPANYING THE GENERAL THAT, IN REGARD TO ANGOLA, TORRIJOS PERSONALLY DISLIKES CUBAN INTERFERENCE IN THAT COUNTRY, AND THAT THESE TWO ADVISERS HAVE URGED THAT HE AVOID THE ISSUE IN ANY STATEMENT HE MAKES. THEY HAVE STATED THAT THEIR ADVICE HAS RECEIVED SUPPORT FROM OTHERS AMONG TORRIJOS ADVISERS.

3. IN REGARD TO PUERTO RICO, SAME ADVISERS HAVE URGED THAT TORRIJOS MAKE NO SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO THE SUBJECT. THEY WOULD PREFER, THEY HAVE STATED, THAT HE NOT MENTION IT AT ALL, BUT EMBASSY VIEW IS THAT SOME GENERAL REFERENCE, COUCHED IN TERMS OF "SELF-DETERMINATION", CANNOT BE RULED OUT.

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4. EMBASSY HAS REITERATED TO TORRIJOS, AND TO HIS

ADVISERS, HOW UNFAVORABLY THE UNITED STATES WOULD  
REGARD ANY EXPRESSION, EVEN TANGENTIAL, OF PANAMANIAN  
APPROVAL OF CUBA'S INTERFERENCE IN EITHER  
ISSUE.  
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